

Troop 935 Campout

Parent/guardian must fill out the last page and return to Troop Scribe
by September 15th, 2009

Event : **Mohican Canoe / Hike Trip**
Destination : **Mohican Reservation - Loudonville, Ohio**
Dates : **September 26th and 27th**
Meet at : **McDonaldsville United Methodist Church, 9/26/09** Time: **7:00 AM**
Return to : **McDonaldsville United Methodist Church, 9/27/09** Time: **12:00 PM**
Fees : **Canoeing - \$30.00** which includes camping, food, and canoeing costs.
: **Hiking - \$10.00** which includes camping and food.
Meals : Bring a sack lunch for Saturday afternoon
: Patrol Cooking: Dutch ovens Saturday night and Hot breakfast Sunday Morning
: **Grub master budget \$4 per person**

Permission Form and Fees Due by September 15th, 2009 Scout meeting

Leader in Charge: Kevin Irwin home: 330 408 7078 cell: 330 844-6070 (availability subject to cell coverage in camp area). *In case of an emergency, contact Kevin Irwin at 330 844-6070 or Camp Ranger's office at ??*

Activity Notes: We will be tent camping at Mohican Reservation and Camp Ground.

The focus on this weekend is hiking a trip on the Lyons Falls Trail at Mohican State Park and a 14 mile canoe trip on the Mohican river. The scout will need to choose which activity he will participate in.

To be eligible for the canoe trip, have a parent signature on the included release form and the scout must meet the swimming ability requirements as stated by the BSA Safety Afloat guidelines.

3. Swimming Ability

...the person must be a swimmer to participate in an activity afloat. Swimmers must pass this test: Jump feet first into water over your head. Swim 75 yards in a strong manner using one or more of the following strokes: sidestroke, breaststroke, trudgen, or crawl; then swim 25 yards using an easy resting backstroke. The 100 yards must be swum continuously and include at least one sharp turn. After completing the swim, rest by floating. This qualification test should be renewed annually.

Adult leaders will be needed to go on the canoe trip and the hike. Dress lightly and in layers, it may be rainy, temperatures could be in the mid 50s °F.

This event can address the following requirements – *if they are prepared to take advantage of the opportunities:*

- Tenderfoot: 1, 2, 5, & 11
- 2nd Class: 1a, 1b (difficult to get), 2a, 2b, 2c, 2f, 4, 5, & 6b (difficult to get);
- 1st Class: 1 & 6;

Camping Merit Badge (Eagle required merit badge) - learn about or earn: 2, 3, 4, 5e, 6b, 8a, 8b, 9b3 (very difficult to get! *This is one of the prerequisites for taking Camping MB at summer camp*), & 9c (somewhat difficult to get, and always in need at the camp). .

Canoeing Merit Badge - learn about or earn: 3, all parts of 4, 6, 7, and 8. You will need to discuss with a merit badge counselor – *before the campout* - that you can use this trip towards completion of the merit badge.

We will meet at McDonaldsville Methodist Church at 7:00 AM, projecting to be in the campsite by 9:00 AM. After a brief camp setup there will be a short nature hike and environmental science discussion.

The sacked lunches will be ate around 11:30 AM. Afterwards the canoeists will setup for the trip and the hikers will be driven to the Lyons Falls trail head. The hike will be approximately four miles and the canoe trip will be about 14 miles.

Additional notes:

Hikers should have long pants, wear hiking boots (no sandals),

Hikers should have fanny pack or small bike pack to carry any small necessities – compass, route map, sunscreen, inhalers, mole skin, or otherwise, and if possible a water bottle

Canoeists should wear old clothes and leave all valuables at camp. PFDs will be provided.

Most importantly, when using the bike trail and hiking throughout the area we must live by the SCOUT OATH and the OUTDOOR CODE.

Minimum Recommended Personal Gear:

Fall Gear list (temperatures to range from 40-60 °F):

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| ○ Light jacket | ○ Drop cloth | ○ Hiking boots and/or shoes |
| ○ Duffle bag with
garbage bag for rain
cover | ○ Socks | ○ Mess kit |
| ○ Poncho/rain gear | ○ Pants | ○ Canteen/water bottle |
| ○ Underwear | ○ Sleeping bag, small pillow | ○ Flashlight, with spare batteries
& bulbs |
| ○ Sweatshirts | ○ T-shirt, 2 Scouting
appropriate | ○ Pocket knife (no fixed blades) |
| ○ First aid kit | ○ Playing cards, chess set.... | ○ Toiletries - tooth brush,
toothpaste, soap, wash cloth,
chap stick, deodorant, mirror,
tissues, comb, glasses, glasses
case, contacts, contact case
and solution, retainers, night
headgear, etc... |
| ○ Sleeping clothes -
sweats or pajamas | ○ Knot rope, about 3 foot in
length | |
| ○ Fire starter kit | ○ Scout handbook ,
Scout Field Book, paper,
pen/pencil, any other
materials to work on merit
badges or advancement. | |
| ○ Compass | | |

Troop 935 Discipline Policy

The Boy Scouts of America have two "sets of ideals" which govern the conduct of any Scout. These are the SCOUT OATH and the SCOUT LAW. When a boy becomes a Scout and at the beginning of each meeting he promises to try to live these ideals. A list of rules and regulations would do nothing more than repeat what is already contained in the Scout Oath and Law. Every Scout in Troop 935 and every guest attending any Troop 935 function is expected to behave according to the Scout Oath and the Scout Law. Our procedure for dealing with Scouts who become a behavior problem is as follows:

- General discipline within the Troop is the ultimate responsibility of the Scoutmaster or the Leader in Charge of an activity. ***Unacceptable behavior that will not be tolerated include but are not limited to lying, stealing, fighting, swearing, failing to follow directions, or taking part in discussions of topics not appropriate for Scouting. It is inappropriate and unacceptable to 'talk back' to any leaders, or be unkind to any other Scout.***
- Boy or Adult Scout leaders of this Troop are NOT to be disciplinarians of any boy, and will not attempt to fill this role for a boy's parents.
- The Scout must realize that at all times he represents The Boy Scouts of America, Buckeye Council, Troop 935, and lastly, themselves to the people around him and must be on his best behavior at all times as said representative.
- Any boy who misbehaves will meet and discuss with the Scoutmaster or Leader in Charge, in an attempt to solve the problem. This may be the only warning the boy will receive that his behavior is not acceptable.
- If a Scout's behavior continues to contradict the Scout Oath and Scout Law after a reasonable effort has been made, then the Scoutmaster or Leader in Charge may decide that it is necessary to have the Scout's parent retrieve him, regardless of location and time.
- Before the Scout can resume activities with the Troop, a conference is to be held with the Troop Committee representative, Scoutmaster, Scout, and Parent/Guardian to decide an appropriate course of action. At a minimum, the Scout shall be suspended from attending or participating in any Troop 935 Scouting function for one week.
- If the Scout's behavior has not improved after the above steps the Scoutmaster may request the Troop Committee's involvement to resolve the situation.

Troop 935 Medication Policy

Please read the following if your son needs to given medication while participating in this activity.

- All medication to be hand delivered by the parent or guardian to the Scoutmaster or Leader in Charge of an activity prior to departure for this activity.
- Scout leaders will return said medication to parent or guardian upon returning from activity.
- All medication shall be in a plastic zip-lock bag that has the Scout's name clearly printed on it.
- Only the proper amount of medication for the time frame of this activity shall be sent.
- Do not send full bottles of medication.
- All medication must be sent in the original prescription bottles.
- A printed note from the parent/guardian must be in the zip-lock bag and must contain:
 - parent/guardian's name, phone number, and signature;
 - the time of day the medication is to be given;
 - proper dosage for each medication;
 - any other instructions or information pertaining to the medication.

Failure to do any of the above will mean your Scout will not be allowed to participate in this activity!

Troop 935 Permission Slip

Event : Mohican Canoe and Hike
Destination : Loudonville, Ohio
Dates : September 26th and 27th

Check one:

- Hike - \$10
 Canoe - \$30

Scout Name: _____ **Age:** _____ **Patrol:** _____

The undersigned parent or guardian attests to the following:

1. I am the legal parent or guardian of the Scout named above and I am legally able to give my consent for the Scout to participate in this Troop activity and I hereby give consent.
2. I have read, understand, and accept the included Troop 935 Disciplinary Policy and if determined necessary by Troop Leaders, will provide transportation home for my Scout, at any hour.
3. I understand that certain costs are incurred with all Troop activities (food, reservation fees, etc.). If my Scout should decide not to attend or fail to show up at predetermined departure time, he will forfeit any and all fees incurred during the Troop activity.
4. My Scout is in good health and has no major illness or change in his health status since the last Personal Health and Medical History form was submitted to the Troop.
5. I have read, understand, and followed the Troop 935 Medication Policies, as applicable.
6. In case of medical emergency, I understand that every effort will be made to contact me. In the event I cannot be reached, I give my permission to the physician selected by the Troop Leaders to secure proper treatment, including hospitalization or medications for my Scout. *(Please list any exceptions.)*
7. I will make sure my son is present prior to the determined departure time & will be properly equipped and clothed for this activity. Upon return, I will pick him up on time at the location determined.
8. I will work with the Troop Transportation Chair to make sure an adequate amount of drivers and adults will be available to provide transportation for all Troop members. *I will do my share by pitching in and contributing to the transportation needs of this Troop.*
9. I will accept that the adult leaders of this activity will be acting in the best interest of the Scouts of Troop 935 in accordance with BSA Safe Scouting Guidelines. I agree to hold them harmless for any attempts to do what is in any and all of the participants' best interest.

Parent/Guardian Signature: _____ Date: _____

Relationship _____

Names of parents/guardians/troop leaders who will also attend:

_____ Campout Day visitor only
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FOR YOUR SCOUT TO ATTEND, YOU MUST LIST AT LEAST TWO PHONE CONTACTS:

***Primary Contact:**

Name of responsible adult: _____ Phone Number: _____

***First Alternate:**

Name of responsible adult: _____ Phone Number: _____

***Second Alternate:**

Name of responsible adult: _____ Phone Number: _____

Payment: Amount: \$ _____ by: cash / check (checks payable to: 'Troop 935')

Received by (Troop Scribe/Leader initials): _____ Date: _____

or (check box): Deduct function fees from our Scout's account. Parent initials: _____

IMPORTANT: THIS IS A LEGAL DOCUMENT

Troop 935 Scout: _____

Please read and understand this document before signing. If you have any questions please ask us or consult an attorney!

Mohican Reservation Inc. & Loudonville Canoe Rentals, Inc. has done everything possible to assure that our guests experience a rewarding experience. We wish to inform our guests and their family and friends that Canoeing, Kayaking, Rafting, and Tubing are not risk free. The same elements that contribute to the unique character and fun of Canoeing such as the physical exertion, personal decisions, natural hazards or even Mother Nature can cause loss or damage , to equipment, injury, illness, or in extreme cases, permanent trauma or death. This may be possible during transportation as well as the canoeing trip. These hazards include tree limbs, insects, vermin, noxious plants such as poison ivy, accident situations, hot surfaces, broken glass, and log jams. We do not want to heighten or reduce your enthusiasm for the experience, but we do want you to know in advance what to expect, and to be informed of the some of the possible risks. We ask that you read this, sign it, and return it to our office.

CONTRACT, WAIVER, RELEASE, AND INDEMNIFICATION

I agree to indemnify and hold harmless Loudonville Canoe Rentals, Inc. their agents and employees from all claims, damages, losses, injuries and expenses arising out of or resulting from participation in these activities. I further agree to release, acquit and covenant not to sue Mohican Reservation Inc. & Loudonville Canoe Rentals, Inc. , their agents and employees for all actions causes of action claims or damages, damages in law or remedies in equity of whatever kind, including the negligence of Mohican Reservation Inc. & Loudonville Canoe Rentals, Inc. or my family, myself, or my heirs, against Mohican Reservation Inc. & Loudonville Canoe Rentals, Inc. arising out of participation in this program. In short, I cannot sue Mohican Reservation Inc. & Loudonville Canoe Rentals, Inc. and if I do I cannot collect any money. I certify that my family, including minor children and myself, are fully capable of participating in Canoeing. I state that I have read the above statement regarding some of the possible risks in this activity. Therefore, I assume full responsibility for myself, my family, including minor children, guest, or visitors for bodily injury, death, loss of personal property and any expenses as a result of my negligence, negligence of my family, or the negligence of Mohican Reservation Inc. & Loudonville Canoe Rentals, Inc. I also understand that Mohican Reservation Inc. & Loudonville Canoe Rentals, Inc. reserves the right to refuse any person it judges to be incapable of meeting participation requirements of Canoeing. My family and I are in good physical condition and able to undertake this activity.

I agree to the site of any lawsuit and the law governing any such lawsuit shall be OHIO and governed by OHIO law. The terms of this agreement shall continue and be in effect after the trip has ended.

As liquidated damages, I hereby agree that if Mohican Reservation Inc. & Loudonville Canoe Rentals, Inc. is forced to defend any action, lawsuit or litigation by myself, my executors, or my heirs, on my family's or my behalf, my heirs or executors and I agree to pay Mohican Reservation Inc. & Loudonville Canoe Rentals, Inc. costs, attorney fees and the sum of \$20,000.00 if they successfully defend such action, lawsuit or litigation. Should any paragraph or part of this agreement be declared enforceable by a court of competent jurisdiction, the remaining parts or paragraphs shall remain in full force and effect.

I, _____, of my own free will, for my family, my minor children, my heirs, executors, guests and myself, have read, understand and acknowledge the risks and liability for myself, and my family this ____ day of _____, 2009.